ARRIVAL

OF THE MORTHERN LIGHT AND UNCLE SAM. THE DETAILS OF THE NEWS. Great Suffering in the Interior. THE HIGH PRICE OF PROVISIONS CONTINUATION OF THE FLOODS.

Great Mortality Among the Passengers or California. 2.000.000 SN THE WAY TO NEW YORK.

MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

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The steamships Northern Light, Captain Thomas ther, from San Juan del Norte, Feb. 4th, and Uncle Am, Captain William A. Mills, from Aspinwall, Feb. M, vis Kingston, Ja., whence she sailed on the 7th.

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the Golden Gate, and all the passengers by the Win-Seld Scott, among whom are the Hon. T. B. Van Baren, ex-Senator of California; Lieut. Beale, Indian Agent for California and Oregon; Capt. Stoneman, U. S. A .: Capt. Randall and lady, of the steamship Northerner: Major Loring, Col. Forman, &c.

The travel on the Isthmus is represented to be remarkably good, passengers having crossed from seean to ocean in twenty days, the rainy season aving terminated.

The Northern Light brings the passengers who left San Francisco in the steamship Independence. The transit route across the Isthmus of Nicaragua b represented as in excellent travelling condition.

The steamship Ohio left Aspinwall on the 3d inst., and arrived at Kingston on the 7th.

Jessie Mason, of Stockbridge, N. Y., died on the

assage, on board the Uncle Sam. We are indebted for files of California papers, to Mr. J. D. Comstock, purser of the Uncle Sam, Mr. C. A Spaulding, and to the expresses of Wells, Farse & Co., Adams & Co., Gregory & Co., and the agent of Sullivan's express.

The steamship Golden Gate left San Francisco at 3 o'clock A. M. on the 15th inst. The following is

notice the names of ex-Governor McDougal, Madame Biscaccianti, Edward F. Beale, Esq., Superin-Berdent of Indian Affairs on the Pacific coast, Col. Jack Hays, and Mr. A. C. Russell, a gentleman long connected with the press of San Francisco. The ollowing is a list of the passengers by the Golden

Mrs Randall, Mrs Clark, Signor Biscaccianti and lady, C Wood, lady and child, J Parrott, C Gliman, J C Johnson, A H Gemphell, Miss A M Jones, Miss E Taylor, J C Palmer, May and servant, D Fraser, Gen Addison, F A Carrington, M MacAllister, L Davidson and servant, T H Morrison, M M MacAllister, L Davidson and servant, T H Morrison, M B Alvarez E J Townsend, J M Freeman, Gov McDougal, P Dunlap, F Ward, Col J C Hays, G A Wells, J C McCeney, J Sullivan, J Hazer, J P Yaney, J Blair, J S Mitchell, T B Van Buren, C C Aitken, L B Misner, H Lee, Mrs Aitken, Mrs H J Hall, Rev Mr Richmond and lady, L A Lavy, jr. Mrs C Fell, Mrs Ranlett, Mrs Pope, Mrs Hunter, Mrs Whitlock, Mrs S H Coulter and child, P H Hoff, S Grant, W Clark, J Orr, G Wheelin, J M Luthrie, S B Farwell, W Wallace, A Lemaitre, G Mumford, M Shearer, J Seme and lady, C Dusenbury, G W E Luck, J F McClench, H C Leonard, W Brown, W C Warner, A Birnfeldt, H W Fairbanks, A Flanders, J H Bullard, A Easterly, R Hamilton, L A Garnett, J Shaw, W B Mead, L Barker, N Fearles, D B McMilan, W O Robbins, W L King, A Harriman, H Pierce, C S Whiting, E K Gallup, A Lins and lady, K Johnson, D Gardiner, P P Shaw, P P Hull, G B Post, J Schnson, D Gardiner, F P Shaw, P P Hull, G B Post, C Bullion, R S Green, W Falland, W A Ranson, J A Martin, J Anderson, J G Moore, W Hargrove, E W Edgar, F B Hall, J M Batchelder, S Morrell, W Marshall, J S Bowman, Mrs Randall, Mrs Clark, Signor Biscacclanti and lady, C J Anderson, J G Moore, W Hargrove, E W Edgar, F B Hall, J M Batchelder, S Morrell, W Marshall, J S Bowman, J Shaw, S Williams, F J Boyer, J Williams, H P DeGroff, W B Crooks, A Sutro, D Ladd, G S Lyon, J Jenner, J S Cotter, F Farnum, S W Forden, M Jerome, J R Daniels, Major C Loring, W R Bane, W Mulkin, J W Moody, E B and F C and L W Colcord, Mr Namuels, C A Holbrook, T P Dowling, W H McLane, J B Gage, J M Scofield, L Guiser, L Echroeder, J L Woolsey, P Taylor, J Butler, J Ballanine, G W Tibbetts, W Russell, J J Leddy, C Rand, J Hoover, J Catlin, S Daniels, F B Hall, M B McCorkle, C P Lilles, W Hancock, J W Mory, A H Little, J C Johnson, and 255 in the steerage. Miss Catherine Harris in connection with Her

Mengis, had brought out at San Francisco, three or four of the most popular Italian operas, which proved highly successful.

The small pox had been raging to an alarming

extent at Diamond Spring, for some time past. There were about seventy persons down with that disease on the 8th nit.

Several cases of small pox have also recently oc curred in Placerville, although but little fear of ite spreading is entertained. Clipper ship John Wade arrived at San Francisco

on the 14th ult., in 116 days from New York. The site for the location of the United States Ma-

rine Hospital has been selected on Rincon Point. Laborers are already at work in preparation for the erection of the building. It will occupy a command ing view of the bay, city, and opposite coast, and will prove an ornament to San Francisco. Rincon Point is improving rapidly, particularly in fine pri-

An old Indian chief, in Yolo county, says that for a period of seventeen years there had not been so much snow on the mountains, or water on the plains,

as at the present time.

The Legislature of California met on the 3d ult. but up to the departure of the steamer, on the 15th, no business of importance had been transacted. On the 12th ult. the Sheriff of Santa Cruz counts

was severely injured, and it is thought mortally, by the accidental discharge of a gun in his own hands. Small pox has prevailed in Calaveras county, on the Cosumnes, and in other sections, with some fa fality. Temporary hospitals have been established, and the sick ared for as well as circumstances per-

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Mrs. Cleveland, who had been playing the violin at Placerville, died suddenly on the 13th ult. She was dressing for her evening's performance, when a knock was heard at the door. She opened it, and immediately fell back, and expired before a physician could arrive on the spot.

News for the Fortnight.

From the Alta Collionnia, Jan. 16.] Since the sailing of the steamers of the 1st inst., the State has furnished but few topics of difcussion or interest, aside from the weather in the interior, and the consequent suspension of business of all kinds, the scarcity of provisions, the suffering and emberrassment.

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The Legislature met on the 3d inst., but up to the present time have done nothing of moment. The executive message and accompaying documents have been referred to committees, out whether the important questions brought before the two houses will receive further consideration or be allowed to the execution assemble to the execution in committee rooms remains to sleep out the session in committee rooms, remains to be seen. It is probable, however, that after the final settlement of the capital controversy, they will

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The old project of calling a constitutional convention is once more on the tapis. The estensible object, as set forth by the executive in his message, is to abolish certain offices created by the constitution; but the real end is the abrogation of the anti-slavery.

Distress in the Interior.

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cause and the division of the State. The first, if it aims at the accomplishment of any definite object, contemplates the introduction of slavery here—a scheme which all men whose intellects are not clouded by prejudice know to be the wildest and most chimerical that was ever entertained by intelligent men. As for the division of the State, after more than a year's investigation, we can discover no plausible reason for it. The advocates of the measure have never yet shown what was to be gained by it, in a political or financial point of view. But the business of the season will turn upon the Constitutional Convention, which will most probably be called. The intended changes, however, will not be effected when it is called.

We have dates from Nevada up to the 10th instant. With but an interval of one or two days during the past week, the remarkable and long continued storm is mabated. The air, however, is milder and the clouds fall in rain instead of snow. Business in general at Nevada is stagmant for the want of the necessary supplies from the valley, and mining operations appear to be as gloomy as the weather. Prices still remain high, and the stock of flour is almost entirely exhausted. The communication between Nevada and Sacramento has been cut off for several weeks, and the few goods received at the former place arrive by pack trains from Eliza and Marysville.

Further meetings of the miners suffering under the scarcity of flour have been held in the various mining districts, and committees specially deputed to proceed to this city, to ascertain and identify for future action, on the part of the miners, the parties who are alleged to be concerned in the flour monopoly.

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It is a matter of regret that this subject should have been so studiously misrepresented as it has been by designing parties in this city. There are thousands of miners and others in the interior who believe that the prevailing scarcity of provisions is really the result of monopoly in San Francisco. It has excited the passions of men, as we see, directed their attention to the abatement of an imaginary evil, and prevented them from seeking the natural and proper remedy for a public calamity—a remedy that would have presented itself to their minds if the truth had been laid before them, instead of interested misrepresentation.

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Nevada county has taken the initiative step to wards perfecting the quartz mining laws of the State, by adopting a code which, for simplicity, combined with practical utility, is well worthy the attention of other mining counties of the State, securing, as it does, permanent and lasting rights in the tenure of mining property of this nature, that can only be subject to the future action of Congress. The custom termed "jumping" is altogether abrogated, under certain improved regulations, and capital can now, by observing the new code of laws, be invested with the utmost safety. Let other counties in this department emulate the example of Nevada county in this respect, preparatory to the State Convention proposed to be held in May next. The Grass Valley district, with its countless "leads" and companies, it appears, held a meeting, at which the proceedings of the County Convention at Nevada were unanimously ratified.

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The proposed Miners' Convention is engaging the earnest consideration of the people throughout the State, and discussion is bringing about a degree of defiteness and tangibility in its purposes. It will be a very important body when it comes together, and will leave a permanent impress upon every interest of the commonwealth.

Our latest intelligence from the southern mines represents a great improvement in the weather and the winds. The extreme stringency in the provision market is relaxing as supplies come in, and there is every prospect that the end of the next fortnight will find the mining population prosperous and happy.

Mr. Beale, Indian agent, was at last accounts in the Tulare country, where he had been most successful in his negotiations with the Indians. He has restored peace and satisfaction to the savages, who seem willing to work for their own support, now that they see they are compelled to do so.

We have dates from Oregon to the 7th inst., but no news of consequence. The affairs of the territory remain in a quiescent state. The winter there, as here, has been very severe.

The long immunity enjoyed from disaster by steam on this coast, was broken in upon on the 6th, by a collision between the J. Bragdon and Camanche, in which the latter was sunk, and ten lives lost.

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We take the following synopsis of the Governor's message from the San Francisco Whig:
The document is conclusive on one point, namely: that under the present state of affairs, and with the present management of our State government, we are surely and rapidly advancing to a condition of irretievable bankruptcy. The startling fact is made to appear, that our expenditures exceed our receipts nearly \$600,000 per annum. Our present civil debt is shown to be \$1,587,213 78. The war debt is \$771,190 05—making the entire debt of the State \$2,159,403 83. Under such an exhibit as this, State securities must decline, and it will require some months of honest and economical legislation to restore confidence and rebuilt our State credit.

The Governor suggests a change of the constitution, and the abolition of the offices of Surveyor General. Superintendent of Public Instruction, Superintendent of Public Buildings, and three Prison Inspectors; to have blennial sessions of the legislature, a reduction of the pay and mileage of members limiting the session to ninety days, reducing transportation on prisoners, a change in the conduct of the State Hospital, a reduction of the salary of the Governor and Supreme Judges, reduction of salary of the District Attorney of San Francisco.

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8	CATTLE DEBL.		-
	Amount of three per cent bonds outstanding \$63,750 00		
	Interest on the same to date 63,700 00		
4		\$127,450	00
1	Amount of seven per cent bonds of 1850\$397.000 00		
1	Interest on the same 3,218 58		
1		\$400,218	58
1	Amount of seven per cent bonds of 1852		
1	Interest on the same		-315
3		\$790,781	
ij	Civil warrants outstanding	69,763	79
	Total	\$1.388.212	78
ij	WAR DEET.		
	Amount of twelve per cent war		
j	bonds of 1851\$200,000 00		
	Interest on the same 39,812 20		
d		\$239,812	20

War warrants outstanding Total war debt. \$771,190 05

WHOLE DEBT OF THE STATE.

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Making the entire debt of the State, civil

Amount of school and warrants \$190,090 00

Afflicting Disaster—Steamer Camanche Sunk
—Ten Lives Lost.

[From the Alta California, Jan 13.]

Wednesday night, at nine o'clock, the steamers J.

Bragdon and Camanche came in collision. It was raining at the time, and the weather was misty, but not enough so as to prevent distinguishing objects at some distance. The boats observed each other approaching, and no idea of a collision being entertained, kept on their courses under full headway, in the channel off Point Edith, about five miles above Benecia.

Benecia.

On nearing each other, the bow of the Camanche passed the Bragdon on the port side. The first officer of the Bragdon, Mr. Coffin, was in her wheel house at the time, and seeing that the boats were about to strike, clapped his helm hard a port; the boat obeyed the direction given her, and yawed to starboard, presenting her broadside to the Camanche's port bow, which struck her in the forward part of the larboard wheel house, demolishing the cook house and a part of the pantry. The iron rods about this portion of the boat were driven into the wheel house, so as to prevent the revolution of the port wheel. The bow of the Camanche was stove flat in starting all her butt ends, and tearing away her stem post and apron. She sunk in ten minutes from the time of striking.

The Camanche's bow lies in about twenty two feet of water, and her stern in twelve feet. The Bragdon backed up as well as she could on to the Camanche and some of the passengers of the latter boat slid down the inclined plane presented by the position of her decks on to that of the Bragdon. As soon as the Bragdon backed off again from the concussion, the remainder of the passengers slid into the water, and it was then that the lives were lost. A portion of the Camanche's stern lies out of water, and her cabin floated off and is now reported as lying on shore at Benicia.

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Among the lives lost by this melancholy accident we have only been enabled to obtain the names of Mrs. Winters and one of her children, and Mrs. Barker. Mrs. Winters was the lady of a merchant of that name at Snake Bar, Ynba river, and he was at Marysville awaiting her arrival when the Bragdon left. She bad two children with her, one of whom was saved and is now on board the Bragdon. Mrs. Barker was the wife of Alderman Barker, of Sacramento. One fireman, belonging to the Camanche, was lost; we have not heard his mame; also, two other young men, who were sick on board at the time of the catastrophe. Several others, who were observed on board previous to the collision, have not been seen since. Ten lives in all are supposed to have fallen sacrifices to this tragic casualty.

Distress in the Interior.

avalanches, to a greater extent than ever was known, in the mountains. Canon creek has been covered nearly all over with snow, that has come from the tops of the mountains. The first avalanche was noticed about three-quarters of a mile above Poker Flat. A young man by the name of W. F. Weir was killed, and found by his companions, a few hours afterwards, on the 17th day of December. It happened the company went to the Flat, all but this one young man, and before they returned the avalanche happened. They extracted him from the ruins of the house, and he breathed, and that's about all. By the time he was taken to the Flat he was dead, being wonderfully mangled by the timbers of the cabin. About the same time, it is supposed, a slide from the mountain's top came down and killed three other men, who encamped two miles below Poker Flat, and in consequence of the weather, the inhabitants of Canon Creek Upper Crossing could not get down until the first day of January, 1853. Some sixteen men, urged by an esteemed man on Canon Creek, (Norman Cram), to go and see if they were killed or not, they proceeded there, and on the first day found two men that had been killed by the snow, and on the next day they found the third, and buried all three in one grave. Their names are Robertson, Greer and Close. Robertson bas a family in New Jersey; Close is also of the same place. Greer has one or two brothers in this country.

A correspondent of the Alta California, writing from Nevada on the 11th ult., says that the stock of flour was then completely exhausted in that city. Add to this the distressing fact that the extensive mining region round Waloupa, about twelve miles east of Navada, which is entirely dependent on that place, is without a pound of provisions, and can get no supply of flour from Nevada, and that miners at a place called Red Dog were actually sustaining themselves upon scraps which they had previously thrown away—and the picture is gloomy enough. At Nevada one of the bakers went to another for a loaf of bread fo

lantic mails from this place.

CALAVERAS.

The Calaveras Chronicle says:—The state of the provision market is the all-absorbing topic, and we are sorry to say that the prospect is anything but cheering. There is still some flour in town, which is held at 75 cents per pound. The bakers, we understand, have a supply sufficient for present use, which perhaps will give out before a week. We are in hopes that before that time supplies may reach the Hill, and thus prevent a state of affairs which all must contemplate with alarm. The following are the present rates: Flour, 75c. per lb.; fresh beef, 50c.; fresh pork, 75c.; beans, 37c. a 40c.; potatoes, 37c. a 50c., as in quality; bacon, 50 a 55c; bams, 62c. YREKA.

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The citizens of Yreka were destitute of nearly all kinds of provisions, and the party which arrived at Shasta from that place were obliged to desert three of their animals in Scott's Valley, having been eighteen days in accomplishing the journey to Shasta. Three of their number were left at Martin's ranche, so badly frozen in the feet and ankles that they could not proceed further. At Very's they purchased a hundred dollars worth of provisions, and sent them back to the sufferers, who, like themselves, had subsisted four days on parched barley.

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Mr. J. C. Davis arrived in town last night, (Wednesday,) from the north fork of Feather river, and reports great suffering through all that section of country. At all the points, viz., Rich. Indian, and Junction Bars, on the north tork; at Rush Creek, American, Spanish, and Meadow Valleys, there was not a pound of flour, with the exception of a small amount in reserve for the use of the females who are residing there. Some ninety or one hundred men came out with Mr. Davis, but did not come through, owing to exhaustion, and are now scattered along the road at different ranches, recruiting. Three Kanakas (names unknown) perished in the snow; they had subsisted for eight days on dog meat pre vious to starting, and, being much reduced, gave out. There are still about seventy-five men at Rich Bar, unable to get away, and almost destitute of provisions. The buildings on Rich Bar, which were not inhabited, were crushed by the snow. Ourfriends Hunt & Lindley suffered severely, having, in addition to the destruction of the El Dorado, on Rich Bar, lost their new saw mill. They lost one last year, also, and this double misfortune will fall heavily on them.

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Messrs. Clark and Wagner of Rich Bar, and Mr. Messrs. Clark and Wagner of Rich Bar, and Mr. Dean of Meadow Valley, started out with trains of mules yesterday for the relief of the sufferers. We hope they may succeed in getting along.

Mr. Davis reports the snow at the Peavine ranch as being twelve feet deep, and at the Frenchman's, and Buck's rancho, as "being without bottom."

Marysville Herald.

GUNDY'S RANCH.

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GILROY'S RANCH.

From a private letter written at Gilroy's Ranch, on the 1st ult., we learn that the waters were higher than they had been known to be for the preceding twenty-five years. El Senor Jose Maria Sanchez, of Sanchez' Ranch, a wealthy and well-known native Californian was drowned about a weak previous in Sanchez' Ranch, a wealthy and well-known native Californian, was drowned about a week previous, in attempting to cross the Rio del Pajaro; the body had not been recovered at the date of the letter. Cattle were selling in that neighborhood, to San Francisco butchers, at \$50 per head—a price unprecedented in that section of country, being an advance of almost one hundred per cent since October. Quite a number of new farms were being opened in the Pajaro valley, on an extensive scale.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

At Angel's Camp, and Murphy's Camp, the advices are of the most distressing character.

The Stockton Journal says, the flood in that region, about the head waters of the San Joaquin, has risen to an unprecedented height. On the Four Creeks, the whole country is under water—Woodville being ten feet below the surface, and all the settlers have been driven to the highlands. The stock, in a great many instances, is drowned.

There are about five hundred settlers on the Four Creeks, and they are all living on beans, at present, while the market is even scantily supplied with such food; and there are about two hundred on the San Joaquin in the same destitute condition. The snow is within ten miles of Fort Miller, and the late warm rains have tended to melt it very fast, which accounts for the tremendous freshet.

Two men, named James Tower, and James McNassea, left Sacramento on the 13th of December last, for the purpose of settling upon a rauch about three miles above Wilson's, on the Cosumnes river, a distance of about twenty-one miles from Sacramento. They have not been heard of since their departure. Strong fears are entertained that they have been met by the flood, which was very great in that section of country, and in trying to cross the river, the party with the stock have all been lost, as no traces of anything belonging to them can be found.

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THE UNITED STATES SURYEY

Is rapidly progressing, the base line being already completed seventy miles. It will probably touch the sea coast some four miles north of Los Angeles. Mr. Gray is following Col. Washington, and is surveying a range of townships.

THE LATE STORM.

The gale which has been felt so severely through this part of the country, caused considerable damage at San Pedro. The brick warehouse at that place, owned by B. D. Wilson, Esq., was demolished, the sea beating against it having undermined the foundation. A considerable quantity of barley stored in the warehouse, and belonging to the United States, was damaged. The loss to Mr. Wilson was \$1,500. At Agua Mansa, one of the walls of the church tumbled down at the usual hour for mass. Providentially the priest omitted mass on that day, and the building was unoccupied at the time of the accident.

Two MEN DROWNED.

The Star of Jan. 1st says:—Mesers. Joseph Smart and Joseph Ragwell lost their lives, near san Pedro, on Sunday last, by drowning. They had started from Catalina on Saturday evening, for San Pedro, and were caught out in the gale on the following morning, when, finding they could not reach port, they steered their boat towards the shore, about fifteen miles above San Pedro, hoping to beach her and escape from their perilous situation. The serf, however, which at that place breaks at a flistance of 150 yards from the shore, capsized the boat, and the two persons above named were drowned. A third man, named Charles ——, was saved. Mr. Smart was a native of New Hampshire, about 32 years of age, and was some months since engaged in business in this city. Ragwell was a native of London, England. The bodies of the deceased have not been recovered. An Indian was also drowned in the San Gabriel river, during the freshet, near Workman's rancho.

The arrival of 2,500 sheep from New Mexico is noticed in the Star. They are owned by a party of French, and will be driven towards San Francisco. Thirty-three hundred sheep, sold by order of the administrator of Damas Lopez, brought an average of \$6 25 a head.

MISSIONARIES.

About fifty Mormoz missionaries had embarked at San Pedro for San Francisco. They will take their departure hence, some for the Sandwich Islands and

others for the East Indies and Australia. This is a new phase in Mormonism, and shows that these peo-ple are gradually extending a powerful influence on the shores of the Pacific.

A case involving the ownership of a horse had been on trial at Los Angeles for several weeks. It had been tried three times, each time the jury being unable to decide upon a verdict. A fourth attempt at its adjudication was to have been commenced on the 3d inst.

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The Star contains the following intelligence respecting these phenomena, which of late are becoming rather frequent on the Pacific coast:

"The shock of an earthquake was very perceptibly felt in this city, and the Mission San Gabriel, on Saturday evening last.

"Two sheep drovers from the Colorado give accounts of a 'right smart' earthquake in the vicinity of that river, two weeks since. The earth heaved and rocked backwards and forwards for or five feet, and opened in several places, and through the crevices the water 'spurted' to a great height. The waters of the Colorado flowed up stream, broke through its banks, and cut up other antics unbecoming a quiet river. Our informants, who are known in this community to be men of strict veracity, say that after the shocks had ceased several elevations of the ground were noticed—elevations which had not before existed. One of the government buildings at the military post was thrown down.

"We have conversed with Mr. Auckley, who was at the Colorado during the occurrence of the phenomenon. He says that the shocks were frequent during three days, and were perceptible for more than one hundred miles this side of the Colorado. At the river it was reported that a volcano had opened beyond the Colorado, and the smoke was visible at the fort. Mr. Auckley says that the earth cracked in more than twenty places, the crevices being from six inches to a foot wide, through which was ejected a substance difficult to describe scientifically, but resembling, in the language of the uninitiated, blue mud."

The Snow Storm in the Interior.

[Correspondence of the Maryville Express.]

FOSTER'S BAR, Yuba River, Dec. 25, 1852.

The head of mule navigation lies between the Newada House and Sleighville, about seren miles from this place, where there are several trains whose owners find it impracticable to proceed under existing circumstences, nor can they hope to be allowed to pursue their journey until the termination of this storm. The snow from Sleighvile to Goodyear's Bar is deeper than it was known to be any time in the winter of '49, and it is still fafing furiously. Nigger Tent, together with the Moustain House and the Florida House are literally buried, and the only indication of their localities is the smoke which rises from their chimneys. A well broken tpail will not remain open more than half an hour at a time, the snow falling so rapidly and the wind blowing so fiercely as to completely oblitrate all traces of it in that length of time, so that every fresh party that starts out has to break a ney trail, and it is considered unsafe to start in smaller gangs than fifteen or twenty, and even then some generally become so exhausted from cold and faigue as to be compelled to surrender to the storm king and entreat their companions to carry them to the next house of refuge.

There are no provisions above Sleighville, with the exception of a few potacoes and a little barley, and if this weather continues much longer it will undoubtedly create intense suffering, if not actual starvation, among those who are leyond the Nigger Tent.

Those who have been so fortunate as to succeed in getting down from above cannot be induced to return, although they have been offered at this place one dollar per pound to pack flour through to Downeville. Provisions have been very short in the latter place, and barley is now the only eatable which they possess in any quantity.

Miscellaneous Items. LAND COMMISSION.—List of opinions and decrees

of final confirmation of the Board up to Jan. 14:-
Not. Tide of Cases. Locality.
56 Pearson B. ReadingSan Joaquin.
28 Cruz Cervantes Buenaventura.
30 Carmen S. de Bernal Rincon Salinas.
17Jose de Jesus Noe Miss Dolores.
222John KeysSal-si-puedos.
124 John B. R. CooperEl Sur.
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62Ant. & Faustine German Juristac.
71Camilo YreitiaOlompali.
122Francisco DyeEl primer canen.
12Archibald A. RitchieGuenoc.
191Charles WaltersEl Toro.
40 Ritchie & Forbes Callyome.
195 Heirs of Rapheal Gomes Los Tularcitos.
72 Timoteo Murphy San Pedro, etc.
199 Chas. Meyer, et al Ranch. German.
65Francisco Perez Pacheco Bolsa S. Felipe.
1 John C. Fremont Mariposas.
3Archibald A. RitchieSulsun.
76 Salvio Pacheco Monte Diablo.
68 Francisco l'erez Pacheco Ausaymes.
64 Francisco Perez Pacheco, San Felipe.
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FINANCES OF SAN FRANCISCO.—Report of the
City Treasurer, showing the amount of receipts and
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Balance cash on hand November 30th \$11,565 19
From city taxes
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HAMILTON BOWIE, City Treasurer.

A MINERS' CONVENTION TO BE CALLED BY THE LEGISLATURE.—A resolution has been introduced into the Senate by Hon. Mr. Snyder, calling a general convention of miners throughout the State. It was read, and referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining Interests. It reads as follows:—

Whereas, it has become necessary that some stable organization should be made in the various mining counties of this State, not only for the general benefit and welfare of the miners, but for the community at large; that some definite and settled policy in relation to the mineral lands is desired by a large body of the miners, is apparent from the frequent conventions held in various counties, and from the sentiments of the miners, made manifest on various occasions; that the time has arrived for the miners to take some action relative to the matter—

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Resolved, By the Senate and Assembly, that a convention of miners be held at the capital of this State, on the first day of April, 1853.

Resolved, That three delegates be elected in each mining county, or any other county that may be interested. Resolved, That the expenses of each member shall be paid out of any money in the treasury of this State, not otherwise appropriated.

Resolved, That the sitting of the convention shall be limited to ten days, and that the members shall be entitled to the same pay and mileage as members of the Legislature.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the convention be approved by the next Legislature, and copies forwarded our representatives in Congress, with a recommendation to urge the passage of such laws as the convention may recommend.

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Reselved, That the Governor, immediately on the passage of these resolutions, order an election to be held in each mining county, as recommended in these resolutions. INCREASE OF THE POPULATION OF CALIFORNIA.

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During the year ending December 31st, 1852, there arrived at San Francisco by sea 64,640 passengers; during the same time 23,166 persons departed, showing an addition to our population by sea of 41,444 for the year. This is founded on the reports made by the masters of steamers and vessels to the Custom House; but as it is known that during a large portion of the year the steamers came up crowded to their utmost capacity, bringing a much larger number of passengers than allowed by law, and of course than they would dare to report, it would be safe to add ten per cent or 6,464, to the number given above. This would make the total insrease of population by sea during the past year 47,908. The emigration across the plains in '52 is variously estimated at from 20,000 to 35,000. It would be within bounds to put it at 25,000. This would make a total addition to our population of 72,908 during the year 1852. In round numbers 75,000 would be a fair estimate.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.—Three men were

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Melancholy Accident—Three men were drowned on Monday, the 3d inst., by their boat drifting out past the Heads, in the violent ebb tide which, during the present freshet, runs out with more than ordinary force. Passing the Heads, and finding their efforts to regain the harbor unavailing, they turned their attention to keeping the boat afloat. After being at the mercy of the waves for some hours, they fell in with another boat, also adrift, having two persons on board. These last deserted their boat, and came on board the first mentioned. They shortly after fell in with the steamer Goliah, towing the S. S. Lewis; and, having made fast to her, were rapidly regaining the harbor, when at midright the rope parted. Owing to the darkness this occurrence was not seen on board, and the steamer was soon out of sight. The boat now drifted to the northward, and getting into the rollers, capsized, and three of the five on board were drowned. The remaining two clong to the boat until the pilot boat Sea Witch also overed them, and brought them to town. The survivors were nearly exhansted, and could not have remained much longer on the wreck. The Sea Witch also picked up another man on board of a boat which had drifted to sea through the Heads. We are informed that numerous instances of this kind occur, of which nothing is ever heard through the public press. We did not learn the names of those who were thus drowned, but believe that two of them were Italians, and one Frenchman.

San Francisco Whig.

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GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.—We learn that during the high water the past week, eight men undertook to cross the Yuba, at Bridgeport, in a dugout. The

current was immensely rapid, but they succeeded in getting to the other side. When the boat struck the bank it bounded back a little, and the passengers, suddenly rising to their feet, tipped it so that it filled with water and shot back into the current. Two of the men jumped out and got ashore. The others drifted out into the river, the cars being lost in the excitement. The boat went down the stream fifty yards, and, striking a rock, upset. One of the remaining six caught by a twig, and was drawn ashore by a rope thrown to him. The other five meta watery grave. The bodies were not recovered. Those who witnessed the sad event ascribe it to the extreme carelessness of the parties after the boat reached the shore.—Netada Journol.

MELANCHOLY AFFAIR OF SANTA BARBARA.—On the 10th ult. a melancholy affair occurred here, between Patr ck H. Dunne, a resident of this place, and Francis F. Marcy of San Francisco. Dunne wished to buy some buckles that Marcy had on his hat, whereupon Marcy got angry and began to quarrel with Dunne. During the dispute, Marcy drew his pistol and fired at Dunne, the ball passing so close as to knock off Dunne's hat. Dunne immediately drew in self-defence, fired, and shot Marcy, the ball entering his head close by the ear. Marcy lived long enough to state that he was married, and that his wife resided in San Francisco. Marcy was a native of Hallowell, England. No blame can be attached to Dunne.

Sudden Death.—Nathaniel Kimball, long favorably known in this place as the whilom carrier of the Alta California newspaper, dropped suddenly dead on the wharf on Tuesday morning, ne ir the landing of the steamer Confidence. The deceased was, perhaps, thirty years of age, from Roxbury, Massachussets, and had acquired an enviable popularity by his uniform politeness and amiability of disposition.—Sacramento Union.

Drowned.—A man named William Cutler, from Deal, England, in attempting to carry out an anchor from a boat aground in Petaloma slough, was drowned by the anchor catching on the side of the b

Our City Bonds are also becoming very scarce, full threefourths of the whole issue are now held in the Eastern
cities.

TRADE REPORT.

Considering that to-morrow is steamer day, and that
the merchants generally have been more than usually occupied with their correspondence, we have noticed a fair
degree of activity is the market. A very large mail will
go forward by the Golden Gate.

Flour.—We note less firmness in the market than fer
any previous day during the week, and sales show a decline in both sacks and barrels. Sales of the former, to
the extent of about 1,600 halves and quarters, at \$02 a
\$02 to. The bulk of the recent importations of sack
flour is still in first hands; \$500 was offered for a considerable parcel, and declined. We hear of some sales from
first hands as low as \$00. Transactions in barrel flour
have been mostly confined to jobber, at rates ranging
from \$34 to \$55 50. The importations per T. W. Sears,
400 bbls. Hope Mills, superflue, was sold at \$30.

CORM MEAL.—We hear of but one large sale, that of the
importation per Albatross, (about 2,000 half barrels,) at
\$9 50, \$8 hhda sold at \$9\cupyc. per lb.

GRAIN.—Chili barley is jobbing, to some extent, at
\$3\cupyc.; sales 15,000 lbs. at this rate. Domestic is selling
at \$3\cupyc. at sales from first hands, at 4c.; about 300
sacks, do. at 4 a 4\cupyc. We understand that some of the
recent importations have been offered as low as \$3\cupyc.
without finding purchasers.

COFFER.—The jobbing rates are, for Rio, 15 a 16c.; Costa
Rica, 15 a 16c.; Java, 12\cupyc.; 80 boves ground
Eagle Mills, (reported,) at 16c.

BEANS.—We notice an advance on yesterday's rates,
with a good demand. Sales of 1,300 small bags, best quality Payos, in lots, at 5c.; 15e 100-lb. do. at 5c.; 200 50-lb.
do. reported at 5\cupyc.

Sales of 4,100 lbs. Manila cordage, at 20c.; 180 colls do.
at 18\cupyc.; 18 hhds. 20 casks, and 45 firkins butter, at 41
a 44e.; 35 casks and 28 hhds. hams, at 20 a 21c.; 40
kegs refined lard, at 21e.

City Treasurer, showing the amount of receipts and disbursements for the month of December, 1852:—

Realance cash on hand November 20th. \$11,556 19
From city licenses. \$3,923 63
From Judiciary Department. \$1,000 60

Total. \$54,488 22
Paid Police Fund. \$256 00
Paid Street Fund. \$833 97
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Paid Street Fund. \$2346 06
Paid Free Fund. \$2,348 06
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Paid Free Fund. \$2,348 06
Paid Judiciary Fund. \$1,453 76
Paid Liquidation Fund. \$2,368 06
Paid Contingent Fund. \$3,445 37
Balance cash on hand Dec. 31, 1852. \$27,586 13

Total. HAMILTON BOWIE, City Treasurer.

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MARRIED.

On the evening of New Year's day, January 1, 1853, by Rev. S. H. Willey, Josiah Sandford, Esq., to Miss Elizabeth Guss, all of San Francisco.

In San Francisco, Jan. 1, by the Rev. Mr. Gallager, Mr. A. R. McKenzie, to Miss Mary Coleman, both of this city. In San Francisco, Jan. 4, by Rev. Albert Williams, Mr. Herman Schulze, to Miss Caroline Ellis, only daughter of John Ellis, Esq., all of San Francisco.

Dec. 23, by Rev. A. M. Winn, Mr. John R. Wilson, to Miss Santa E. Letcher, all of Santa Clara county.

Dec. 25, by Rev. Charles McLay, Rev. W. McLay, to Miss Mary A. Wymn, of Santa Clara county.

Dec. 27, by Rev. A. M. Winn, Joseph W. Johnson, to Miss Julia Jones, all of San Jose.

In Sonoma, Dec. 28, by Rev. Mr. Lockley, Mr. A. B. Renick, to Miss Velander Ray.

In Nevada, at the Nevada Hotel, Dec. 23, by Rev. Adam Bland, Mr. James L. Owen, to Mrs. Catharine Madden.

In Sacramento, Dec. 5, by the Rev. R. B. Stratton, Mr. Cyrus Grey, of San Jose, to Miss Eliza P. Smith, late of Philadelphia, Pa.

In Santa Clara, by the Rev. A. M. Wynn, Mr. Daniel E. Miller to Miss Susan B. Wilson, both of Santa Clara. By Elder Thompson, Mr. John J. Roberts to Miss Martha A. Colter, both of Santa Clara county.

By the Rev. A. M. Wynn, on the evening of the 28th Pec., at the residence of Dr. J. W. Langhorne, near Sun Joee, Mr. Daniel Eppes Miller and Miss Susan A. Wilson, both formely of Virginia.

In Sacramento, January 9th, by the Rev. R. B. Stratton, Mr. Nathaniel A. Kidder, of Sacramento, to Miss Ann B. Hompson, late of Chicago, Illinois.

On the 10th January, by Elder Q. S. Sparkes, Mr. Z. Cheeney to Miss Amanda M. Evans, both of San Francisco, to Eliza O Hart, late of the city of New York.

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DIED,
In San Francisco, January 3d, Peter Donahue, late of Paterson, N. J., aged 75.
Near Kelkey's Diggings, on the 21st Dec., Mr. Wm. T. Andrews, of Howard county, Mo., aged 22 years.
In Nevada, Nov. 2dd, Cartis L., infant son of Robert S. and Sarah Whigham, aged 7 months.
At Frenchman's Ear, South Yuba, Californis, Dec. 10, of erysipelas and fever, Mr. I. H. Letcher, aged 25 years, of Maumee city, Ohio.
At Dragon Guich, near Sonora, on the morning of the 5th Jan., of smallpox, D. W. C. Atkins, formerly of West Chester, Pa., aged about 24 years.
Of abacess of the lungs, on the 28th Dec., 1852, at the State Marine Hospital, in San Francisco, Zachariah Jones, aged 45 years, a native of Baltimore, Maryland, and late acrebant of I anama. He leaves a bereaved wife and mother in Baltimore to mourn his decease.
In San Francisco, on Tuesday morning, Jan. 11th, Mrs. Elizabeth F. Williams, wife of Franklin Williams, formerly of Hampton, N. H.
At Flacerville, of smallpox, on the 6th Jan., Mr. James Croslan, formerly of Newport, Ky., aged 29.
At Marysville, on the 7th Jan., Miss Lucinda B. Curry, aged 21 years, formerly of Indianapolis, Ia.

Diatus in Sacramento—For two weeks ending January 2, 1880.—Joseph Depan of Michigan, Augusta Smith, 29

aged 21 years, formerly of Indianapolis, Ia.

FRATHS IN SACRAMENTO—For two weeks ending January
2, 1852.—Joseph Pean, of Michigan; Augusta Smith, 29
years, New Hampshire; Ferdinand Hilton, 35, Rockland,
Me.; John Virgan, 35, Ireland; William Pearce, 29, Massachusetts; Cyril O. Cady, 40, do.; Freeman B. Howes, 34,
do. Jas. Nabb, 75, Pennsylvania; Mary Agaelia Knipe, 15
months, Germany; John Sanda, 41, Nova Scotia; James
Askran, 25, Ireland; Jas. Sleack, 39, Germany; Chinaman;
a child, name unascertained, Germany. Fevers, 2; diarrhota, 5; dysentery, 2; congestion of lungs, 2; small pox,
1; unascertained, 2.

DEATHS IN MARSYLLE—For the month of December

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DEATHS IN MARYSVILLE—For the month of December, 4852.—December 2, Mrs. Catharine Smith, aged 29 years, and babe, of Richland county, Ohio, 4th, Charles R. Foarson, 27, Morris county, New Jersey; 5th, Messra, Wheyland and Hall: 9th, Thaddeus Trowbridge, 26, Wisconsia, 12th, James Colvin, 25, Brownsville, Pennsylvania; Jermis P. Versley, 20, Lubec, Maine: 13th, Dennis Buckley, New Bedford: 1sth, Manuel Andrether, 42, Mexico; 18th, Mary Ann Wilson, 33, England; 19th, W. T. Wright, 22, Texas; 20th, Mexican, name unknown; 28th, Thomas McLane, 33, New York; unknown Mexican, Learns us Spoutnow, for the month of December, 1852. DEATHS IN STOCKTON, for the month of December, 1852.

—December 4, Rodorine Pais, aged 24 years, of Mexico;
John Lourie, 36, of New York; Mrs. Margaret Lee, 26,
England; Wm. A. Scott, 30, Virginia; 9th, Isaac Mosier,
42, Iowa; 14th, Wm. E. Horner, 23, Pennsylvania; name

nnknewn, 88, Mexico; 16th, Jane Van Valkenburg, 8, New York; David H. Cooper, 89, Missouri; Robert O. Rose, 21, Rhode Island; 16th, Felipe Navaro, 19, Mexico; Sarah J. Farker, 6, Illimois; 18th, John A. Sollivan, 31, Arkansan; George Dennis, 40, Illinois; 20th, N. K. Randall, 50, Marsachusetts; Samuel Urc, 45, England; 22d, Wm. R. A. McGlamery, 18, Virginia, 10da, colored; 23d, Mrs. Elizabeth Turner, 18, Arkansan; Wm. Haenty, 2, Germany; E. C. Potter, 23, Masschusetts; 24th, infant of Mrs. E. Turner; 27th, A. L. Ridgeley, 24, McConnelsville, Ohio; 28th, Antonio Recoro, 46, Spain; 50th, Manuel Salis, 27, Mexico.

DEATHS AT SEA.

Turner; 27th, A. L. Ridgeley. 24, McConnelsville. Obio; 28th, Antonio Recoro, 45, Spain; 30th, Manuel Salis, 27, Mexico.

DEATHS AT SEA.

On board steamship Cortes, on the passage from Panama to San Francisco, Dec. 22d, L. Woodbridge, Dartmouth, Mass.; 25th, T. Gourlie; R. Waterman, Maine; F. Decano; P. H. McCroskey, Tenn.; 20th, A. J. Wemper, Michigan; Joseph Dec Conn.; 28th, Charles L. Bache, one-child of Mr. C. I. Bache, of San Francisco: two children of Mr. Grotjan, of San Francisco: John Anderson, Virginia; Leltoy Wilson, New York; C. L. West, New York; M. Denzo Murdoch. New York S. Pelmaire, New York; Mrs. Helser, New York Wr. P. Ormsby, Galens, Ill.: Benjaming Grover, Maine; William Little, British Provinces; R. Walker, Maine; N. Bosworth, Ohio; H. Schaffer; Mr. Geaces, Ohio; Mrs. Benis.

On board steamer S. S. Lewis, on her passage from San Juan del Sud to San Francisco:—Dec. 14th, W. H. Shrekels, of Mo., buried at Acapulco; 22d, Wm. Shea, of Wiskegan, Ill.: 24th, N. Elliott, of Toronto, Canada; 26th, J. Sickels, of New York; 27th, Joshua Hunt, of Faltimore, aged 50 years; 30th, John C. Green, 23 years, of Carlisle, Penn.; 30th, Amos Palow, 47 years, Clayton, Jefferson county, N. Y.; 31st, De Castro A. Putney, 36 years, Brockfield, Wis.; Jan. 1st, Thomas Housely, 53 years, Lafayette county, Ohio; 1st, Jacob Tantree, 22 years, Wayne county, Ohio; 2d, Wm. Given, 45 years, Wayne county, Ohio; 2d, Wm. Given, 45 years, Macama to San Francisco:—Samuel Sanford, aged 27, of New York and the passage from Panama to San Francisco:—Samuel Sanford, aged 27, of New York and the passage from Panama and to San Francisco:—Samuel Sanford, aged 27, of New York 21st, Charles Rose, aged 21, of Wanekanha coun'y, Wis., Jan. 4, of congestive fever; Madama and San Francisco, Pec. 28, at 5 A. M., Dr. E. K. Chamberlin, aged 47 years, from Chemanati, Ohio, of gastro enteriaf fever. 27th, of typhoid fever, Christopher Ewing, aged 47 years, from Chemanati, Ohio, of gastro enteriaf fever. 27th, of typhoid fever, Christopher Ewing, ag

By the arrival of Mr. Alphonso Borland, with the Great Salt Lake mail, the Sacramento Union gains the following intelligence:—

The party in charge of the mail—Mr. Borland, accompanied by John Adams—left Salt Lake on the let of November. At Hensel's Springs, about 120 miles from Salt Lake, they encountered a snow storm of great severity. At Goose Mountain, the snow storm changed to hail and sleet, so that when they camped at night it became necessary to whip their mules at intervals to keep them from perishing. So intense was the cold that Mr. B.'s feet were frozen, their mules lived chiefly on wild sage, and were obliged to wade side deep through the snow.

Six days previous to their arrival at Carson Valley, they were entirely out of provisions, and subsisted out strong coffee, of which they had plenty. At the Valley they stopped a fortnight to recruit themselves and stock.

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When they arrived at the Desert, their animals were nearly exhausted. The snow was here about eight inches deep, and the air excessively cold. Mr. Adams had his feet frozen at this point.

Mr. Borland says that there is more snow on the mountains than was ever known before. At Carson Valley the snow was from two to three feet deep, and the stock was fast dying from starvation.

At a small place named Ragtown, they met about 150 Indians, who fired at them with guns and are rows, but without effect.

At Carson Valley, Messrs. B. and A. were joined by eight men, viz: Geo. Boone, John Johnson of, Johnson's ranche; Mr. Brown, Mr. Parker, and two others, (names not recollected,) and two colored boys.

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About eight miles from Slippery Rock, Mr. Brown gave out from exhaustion, and was left behind. Mrs. Parker remained to take care of him.

At Lake Valley, they encountered new difficulties n the shape of floods, which they successfully over-

ame.

These gentlemen brought the mail safely through, notwithstanding their many difficulties; and taking the trip altogether, it may be regarded as one of the most remarkable ever made on the continent.

Later from Oregon.

Dates from Oregon to Jan. 7th have been received. The papers are filled with legislative proceedings and with speeches and memorials favoring the division of the territory. It is proposed to call the new territory "Columbia." Governor Gaines has delivered his message, which is an able document, though it is attacked with great bitterness by several of the papers.

Flour is selling at \$18 to \$20 per 100 lbs. Millers are paying \$6 and \$7 per bushel for wheat, and there is very little to be obtained at that price. Potatoes command \$2 50 per bushel, beef and pork 18c. to 25c. per lb.; butter \$1 per lb.; eggs \$1 to \$1 50 per dozen, and nearly everything else in proportion.

For a couple of weeks past the weather has been very severe; snow fell in some places to the depth of a foot, and remained several days on the ground. Bu a thaw set in, and the snow and ice is fast disappearing. The old inhabitants inform us that such cold weather has never before been experienced since the settlement of the country by whites; the two past winters, certainly, exhibited nothing of the two past winters, certainly, exhibited nothing of the country has been great. As if was manual.

kind.

The damage caused by the storm and cold through, out the country has been great. As it was unusual, it was unlooked for; and no preparation had been made for feeding and housing stock, and large numbers died from hunger and exposure. Particularly has this been the case with animals which crossed the plains the past season, they being poorer and less capable of endurance. At the Dalles, was therds of this species of stock have died. They were owned principally by speculators, who last fall purchased them of the immigrants.

In Oregon City, on Sunday, Dec. 19th, by Hon. J. M. Prescott, Mr. Thomas Howard and Mrs. Priscilla West, both of that city.

On Thursday, Dec. 23d, by the same, Mr. John McInenerny to Miss Matilda Williams, both of Oregon City.

In Fortland, Dec. 28th, by Rev. H. Lyman, Mr. Sydney, B. Simons to Miss Angelina C. Avery.

In Washington county, Dec. 39th, by the same, Mr. John A. Slavin to Miss Emma R. Ress, both of said county.

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In Fortland, Dec. 27th, Mr. John L. Lloyd to Miss Elimbeth R. Trowbridge, both of that city.
Same place, on the 29th December by Rev. C. S. Kingley, Mr. W. L. Higgins to Miss Mary E. Scott.
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At Seattle, December 19th, by D. S. Maynard Esq., Mr. John Bradley to Miss Mary Relyes, both of Stellacoom. coom.

At Salem, Dec. 23, by Rev. J. D. Boon, J. Byrne, of Org-gon City, and Miss E. Thompson, of Salem.

DIED.

At Dayton, Yamhill county, on the 18th Dec., Andw: D. Smith, in the elst year of his age. He was a nativo of Dutchess county, N. Y.

In Oregon City, on the 23d Dec., Mr. Titus H. Johnson, formerly of Guilferd, N. Y.

At West Tualatiu Plains, Oregon, on the 12th Dec., Lydia, daughter of Mr. John Flett, and adopted daughter of Mrs. Tabitha Brown, aged 6 years and 4 months.

Near Vancouver, O. T., on the 17th Dec., of inflammation of the lungs, Mary Eliza, wife of Silas D. Maxon, aged 20 years.

Ten Days Later from Jamalea. We have received Kingston papers to the 7th

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[From the Kingston Journal, Feb. 5.]

George Canning Backburn, Esq., has been appointed her Majesty's Commissioner at Havana under the treaty of the 28th June, 1835, between Great Britain and Spain, for the abolition of the slave trade.

Her Majesty's ship Cumberland, (72,) Captain Seymour, bearing the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir G. F. Seymour, left Port Royal Thursday morning, at nine o'clock. Her Majesty's screw steam frigate High-flyer, (21,) Captain Heathcote, left the same time and took the flag ship in tow. The Highflyer, after her arrival at Bermuda, will proceed to England.

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[From the Berbies Gazette.]

The papers received by the last and previous mails tell us that throughout the British Westlindia colonies the spirit of emigration is abroad, and that there is scarcely one of these colonies that will not lose, very shortly, a number of its inhabitants. Some few, in fact, are already on their way to Australia, and many are preparing to follow.

Newsfrom New Zealand.
Our dates from Auckland are to October 23d. In an extra of the New Zealander, the discovery of gold on the island is announced. A party who had gone into the interior had retained to town with samples of gold and auriferous quarts. It is the impression of the commission deputed to examine this field that gold exists in abundance, and although as yet found but in minute particles, that it will eventually be precured in remunerative quantities as soon as competent labor and the requisite machinery are brought to bear.